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**DISPOSITION OF MEDICALLY NON-DEPLOYABLE SOLDIERS**

1. The purpose of this Army Bulletin is to provide guidance to soldiers and their commanders when the soldier has been found to be unfit for retention standards in accordance with Chapter 3 of AR (NGR) 40-501.

2. When a Soldier is found non-deployable during the Soldier Readiness Process, the State Surgeon reviews the medical history and assigns 60-day suspense for re-evaluation and/or for additional civilian treatment documentation. If the medical issues are resolved within 60-days, the soldier is cleared and available for deployment.

3. The soldier will be prohibited from participating in ADT, AT, ADSW or SAD while the medical condition is unresolved. Soldiers may participate in IDT at the discretion of the commander, if performing IDT will not aggravate the soldier's medical condition.

4. If the soldier responds to the State Surgeon's suspense, but the medical condition remains unresolved, he/she will be declared medically disqualified IAW AR 40-501. J1-Army will inform the soldier by certified mail that a Medical Evaluation Board (MEB) was conducted and that the soldier has been found disqualified. The soldier will be given 60 day suspense to complete these actions. The soldier will have two options:

a. Request discharge and/or retirement if soldier has 15years of qualified service for retirement for medical reasons.

b. Request a Physical Evaluation Board.

If the soldier fails to meet the 60 day suspense, the soldier will separated from the New Jersey National Guard in accordance with Chapter 8, NGR 600-200.

5. The J1-Army will forward requests for PEB to the Walter Reed Army Medical Center (WRAMC) for determination of fitness for duty. Upon receipt of the final disposition, J1-Army will forward the results to the soldier via certified mail.

a. If the PEB results in a determination of "fit for duty", the soldier will be medically cleared and placed in a deployable status.

b. The soldier may be found, "fit for duty", but requires MOS reclassification. J1-Army will conduct a Military Medical Review Board (MMRB), IAW AR 600-60. The MMRB will review the soldier's assignment restrictions and determine where the soldier can be properly utilized. A finding of, "fit for duty" does not automatically guarantee retention. If a position cannot be found to accommodate the soldier's physical limitations, he/she will not be retained.

c. If the soldier is found, "not fit for duty", he/she will be processed for separation IAW AR 600-200, chapter 8.

6. POC for this memorandum is SGM Amoroso at COMM: (609) 562-0656 or DSN: 944-0656.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen J. Hines". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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